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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN OVERTURES TO SWAZILAND

- 1. GRC AMBASSADOR TOLD CHARGE JANUARY 13 THAT NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR SONG GI TAE, RESIDENT IN MAPUTO, HAD BEEN IN LESOTHO SINCE ABOUT JANUARY 10 TRYING TO PERSUADE GOL TO ESTABLISH RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA. CHINESE AMBASSADOR SAID AMBASSADOR SONG HAD PREVIOUSLY VISITED MALAWI FOR THIS PURPOSE AND WOULD BE IN SWAZILAND JANUARY 13 OR 14 TO PURSUE SAME OBJECTIVE.
- 2. CHARGE'S QUERY TO DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON THIS SUBJECT REVEALED THAT FONAFFS HAD RECEIVED AMBASSADOR SONG'S VISA APPLICATION BUT WAS WAITING FOR GOS POLICE AUTHORITIES TO TAKE POSITION ON IT BEFORE MAKING OWN DETERMINATION. FYI, WE UNDERSTAND AMBASSADOR SONG HAS BEEN HERE TWICE BEFORE, MOST RECENTLY IN FEBRUARY 1976 WHEN HE FAILED NOTIFY GOS IN ADVANCE AND (SUPPOSEDLY ON KING'S ORDERS) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WAS DENIED OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH GOS OFFICIALS. END FYI.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO AVAILABLE TO ADDRESSEES ABOUT RESULTS OF AMBASSADOR SONG'S MISSION TO DATE. WE WILL KEEP ADDRESSEES POSTED ON HIS EFFORTS, IF ANY, IN SWAZILAND.

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